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Remember that the Mississippi delegation will leave for Savannah in two coaches, one starting from **To Savannah.** Winona and the other from Jackson. Tuesday night, May the 5th. See that your ticket reads via Birmingham, Atlanta, Macon and Jesup. The Illinois Central will sell tickets from McComb City and Brookhaven via Jackson, Meridian etc. Persons living nearer Jackson than these points will have to get their tickets here. Persons along the A. & V. can get tickets from Jackson or other "coupon" stations by applying to their local agent. If you want to be certain of a berth in the sleeper, you must send your name to Bro. Price by Monday 12 a. m., at the latest.

The fiscal year of the American Baptist Publication Society closed March 31st.

Good.

The annual report will disclose the following facts. In the Publishing Department the sales aggregate \$709,466.28, an increase over the previous year of \$14,771.10. In the Missionary Department the receipts from all sources amount to \$121,713.90, an increase over the previous year of \$12,103.67. There has been a considerable enlargement of Missionary work, but the debt of last year has been reduced \$2,660.33. For Bible work \$13,369.31 have been received during the year, an increase over the previous year of \$2,681.88. There has also been a substantial addition to our annuity funds. The total amount received from all sources will aggregate over \$900,000.

On the 26th inst., Bro J. T. Watts was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry in the First Baptist Church, Jackson. The ordaining council was composed of Rev. R. A. Cohron, Z. Wardlaw and R. B. Latimer from the Utica Church, Rev. P. I. Lipsey and Prof. A. J. Aven from the Clinton Church, Rev. W. P. Price and J. M. Derrick from the Second Baptist Church, Jackson, Rev. W. F. Yarborough, Rev. S. D. Woods, Rev. T. J. Bailey, J. T. Buck and P. B. Bridges from the First Church.

After an examination of the candidate conducted by Rev. P. I. Lipsey, which proved satisfactory, the ordination sermon was preached by Rev. R. A. Cohron on the work of the ministry. Pastor Yarborough offered the ordaining prayer, Rev. P. I. Lipsey delivered the charge and Rev. W. P. Price presented the Bible. The benediction was pronounced by Bro. Watts. Bro. Watts has for ten years held a good position in the service of the I. C.

Railroad Co., which he has resigned to take up the work of the ministry. He gives up a remunerative position for one very much less so, in order that he may "be about the father's business."

Bro. Watts enters the Aberdeen pastorate at once, whither we believe he has been led of God. We have known this brother only about five months, but in this time we have discovered that he is a choice spirit and capable of doing a vast amount of work for the Master. May God's richest blessings attend him and his esteemed wife.

The figures for Mississippi for Foreign Missions now stand \$14,500!! We were asked for \$13,000 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"

The Rev. Dr. I. K. Funk, of the Homiletic Review, Literary Digest and Missionary Review of the World, was recently induced by his book-keeper to attend a spiritualist meeting. While there he had a "seance," the absurdest thing about which is that the Dr. takes it seriously. He had a message from Henry Ward Beecher. Of course a message from Mr. Beecher from the great beyond would be interesting to all the inhabitants of earth, as he would be able to throw light upon a great many things about which all the races are interested. But, imagine the disappointment, if you can, when the great Beecher breaks his long silence, and only mutters something about an old coin that Dr. Funk had borrowed and forgotten to return; and that the coin was then in the book-keeper's desk—which book-keeper had induced the Dr. to go to the "seance."

Better never have spoken than not to have said more than to remind him of an unpaid loan, and that very royally. Wonder if that is all Mr. Beecher has to do in the spirit world—to think of old debts down on the earth? If anything further is needed to make spiritualists completely ridiculous, one has but to remember the news that a "medium" gave out concerning the late John Sherman. He was reported dead from the Isle of Pines. A friend in Washington went to a "medium" to talk with his spirit. The reply was that Mr. Sherman had just arrived into the spirit world and was too tired to talk. That day Mr. Sherman was better, and did not die; but lived several months after, and met all of his Washington friends face to face.

Last year Rev. Mr. Ellis, of Forest, under the *nom de plume*, "Circuit Rider," wrote a score or more articles, for the New Orleans Christian Advocate, on baptism. After disposing of the findings of the scholarship of the world on the teachings of the New Testament on the subject, by sweeping it all out at his little back door, he casts out his drag net and gathers up all the scurrilous references, to this beautiful teaching of God's holy Word, that satanic hate and coarse vulgarity have ever brought forth, and in the name of Methodism, he proceeded to crucify this holy ordinance of Christ's own appointing, while some Methodists stand around and laugh and jeer with ghoulish glee. The Nashville Christian Advocate heads an advertisement of this coarse rehash, with a picture of two Methodist preachers convulsed with laughter over its vulgar jests, under which picture occur these words: "If a copy fails to rouse your risibility also, your money will be refunded." While these articles appeared in the New Orleans Christian Advocate and the book is being exploited in the Nashville Advocate two papers that go, one or the other, into very nearly every Methodist's home, where anything is read at all, yet we are loath to believe that all Methodists are prepared to "rouse their risibles" over any such stuff. As a body they have too much sense. Of course, there were some shallow-brained people who laughed while the world's redeemer was dying, just as some cultists laughed in the act of being hung, and just as the Christian Advocate advertises that some Methodists do when they read this slanderous deliverance of the Rev. Mr. Ellis of Forest Mississippi on baptism.

In all seriousness, "He laughs best who laughs last." If Christ was not immersed by John the Baptist in the river Jordan, then He was not put to death on Calvary by the Roman soldiery—the one event is as certain as the other. Another thing is true also: As certain as Christ commands sinners to repent, every sinner that does repent, is also commanded to be immersed in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost! Now, was Mr. Ellis ever a sinner? Did he ever repent of his sins? Has he since that time obeyed Christ in baptism, that is, been immersed in water? Until he can put his hand upon his heart and look straightway into the heavens, and say unto his divine Lord, "All this have I done, what else would you have me do," he is engaged in very poor business, when he tries to make sport of those who remember our Lord's commandments to do them. It will be a great reflection on Methodism, such a book as this finds many readers.

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Baptists and Easter.

It is worth while to remember that there can be no deviation from a straight line that may not lead forever astray; and, that this is as true in religion as it is in mathematics. The Bible is the "straight line" in which Christians, all Christians, are to walk. Its worship is simple, easy, sensible and real. The moment we try to improve upon it, that moment marks the place where we start to go wrong.

Easter was once a very harmless eastern festival held in memory of the goddess Eostre, or Eastre, the goddess of spring. Eggs came to be used in connection with it, from the fable that Eostre was hatched from a large egg found on the top of some high mountain—and the proper name for the occasion is the "feast of eggs." So, originally it was comparatively harmless, unless some devotee of returning spring life should eat too many hard boiled eggs. But as time went on, as is usually the case, it took "holy rollers" and was made to do service in the Roman Catholic churches, in connection with the resurrection of Christ, until it has now well-nigh grown to be the custom of all the churches, real and so-called, to observe, or rather "celebrate" the resurrection of Christ on the first Sunday after the first full moon in April. On this day, the churches are in holiday attire. They have flowers, music, new hats—and sometimes a short something that goes by the name of a sermon.

It is also very noticeable that the leading editorial, in all the great dailies, and little dailies as well, and nearly all the religious weeklies, both great and small, is on "He Is Risen." The theme, in most of the pulpits, is, "He Is Risen!" And like the millinery worn on that day, "Easter" is the grandest, most gorgeous "creation" in all our modern art of religious merry making—amounting in many cases to absolute blasphemy.

After printing an elaborate "Easter edition," as its custom for years has been, our esteemed Chicago contemporary, The

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Standard, seems to catch some glimpse of returning light and life, and gives two editorials in its last issue, in which is set forth, in a master's hand, the dangers of Easter. It says that the custom is "well-nigh universal" in Baptist churches in the North, as well as with all other churches. It further remarks that, it is a kind of "opening day" for the display of millinery and dresses, and they are always sure of a crowd to see these new "creations" of the milliner's art, if the weather is at all favorable.

The most fatal mistake that is made on this old heathen, festival occasion, however, according to *The Standard*, is the habit of "saving up" the candidates for baptism for this special occasion—a thing that we charged as being true last year. In speaking of the revival meetings that are nearly always held in the North in the months of January and February (one reason why they do not have any more baptisms than they do) and of "Decision Day," it says, if, on these occasions any should "accept Christ, it has become quite customary to defer their baptism until Easter Sunday." It further says, that, notwithstanding the fact that the pastors do most "strenuously" deny that the candidates are "saved up" for the Easter tide, "the fact remains that weeks frequently intervene between their conversion and their baptism, and that the latter takes place on Easter Sunday." It still further suggests that these Easter baptisms are headed the right way to land Baptists where they will have some Easter "affirmations" that will stand for little or no more than the "confirmations" of some other people.

Now, the resurrection of Christ is a great and precious doctrine—not any more so, however, than His death; for had He not died, it is certain He never could have risen from the grave—so great, indeed, that it needs a different sort of emphasis than is made in some churches by so much "fuss and feathers," when the Easter tide is at its flow. And, already, our own Southern Baptist churches are feeling the pressure of that grand old mother, "necessity," to have a "show" of their own on that high day, to hold their congregations. It is such a harmless thing, and such a pleasant thing, to have a little extra giddy music, and some flowers, and some twaddle about the returning life, seen in the bursting bulbs of plants, flowers, and trees, that many of our churches are beguiled into taking advantage of "the current of thought" and have an Easter display in God's house, on His holy Sabbath day. What a shame!

Of course, flowers, music and good clothes are always in order, and so likewise is the preaching of the resurrection; but don't let us make fools of ourselves and have all this on one day—scatter the flowers and the music and the resurrection all along through the year. Paul did not preach much else to his congregations; that is to say, he rarely ever failed to make prominent mention of the resurrection. In all the "Easter" services we have ever seen, and we have seen them in the great centers, the people, who filled the churches,

impressed us as being happy, not because the preacher said that "He is risen," but because they had on new clothes and the last of the forty days of "the lenten season" was drawing to a close, and that the theater, the ballroom, and a full round of gaieties would soon be in full blast again. Let others do as they may, but let Baptist pastors and Baptist churches be true to Christ in all things; and let Him appear on the first Sunday after the full moon in April, as on every other Sunday, as the *Man Christ Jesus who came into the world to save sinners*.

Notes and Comments.

Don't forget to send your pastor to the Southern Baptist Convention. Let some thoughtful brother make up the money quietly and turn it over to the pastor and tell him to go and stay until it is over.

One does not have to be a "delegate" to the Southern Baptist Convention in order to join the party to Savannah. Anybody can go who wants to and can get hold of the money to pay his way. The indications are now that "the travel will be heavy." Come and go with us; it will do you good.

Mississippi needs good, honest, statesmen like men in both houses of the legislature this year. It will convene in the new Capitol, and its membership ought to be in keeping with the surroundings—as white as its marble and solid as its granite, as transparent as its glass and as stable as its foundations.

Have you taken time to notice that the people who make the most of "Lent" and "Easter" make the least of Christ and the simplicity of New Testament Christianity. Look at Italy, Brazil and Mexico! And, if you are afflicted with near-sightedness you need only look around among "the branches of the church" at home.

The Christian Scientists are to build a million dollar "church" in Boston, which is to have a seating capacity for 5,000. What will you put in that blank? You couldn't say "people," for they don't believe in the existence of anything like people. Anyhow, they are to put one million of what other people call dollars, into what other people call a house, in what other people call Boston, for a purpose, the Lord only knows.

Last week representatives from some Congregational, United Brethren, Christian Protestant Methodist churches assembled in Pittsburg for the purpose of discussing and formulating plans looking to the union of these "branches" of "the church." As they "are all one," and "one is just as good as another" with them, there does not seem to be any reason for their separate existence anyhow, so let them "merge." And, since a Methodist can take his letter and go join a Presbyterian church, being received into full and

heartly fellowship, there does not seem to be any good reason why these "branches of the church" should not also unite, merging themselves into one great big "branch."

In Texas the "dry counties" represent a population of 2,218,039, while the "wet counties" only represent 725,825. And as the majority rules, this is why the whisky people are scared so badly over the prospect for a State-wide prohibition law. The ratio is even greater than that in Mississippi, and all we have to do is to stand together and see the saloon take up its departure elsewhere than in this goodly commonwealth that has endured its blighting presence long enough.

The exposure of the shady method by which "Dr." Bogard, of Searcy, Ark., got his "D. D.," brings to light what many have suspected all along, the fact that anybody can get it, provided he is little enough, and sharp enough to work his friends. "Dr." Bogard confesses his guilt, but declares "there are others" and proposes a general investigation. Excuse us, please! Suppose there are many others, the revelations so far made are humiliating enough, without piling Ossa on Pelion.

A large portion of the matter in this issue, in order to be news, should have appeared in last week's issue, but two things prevented. A good deal of it reached us too late, and then there was an extra amount of it—entirely too much to crowd into one issue. If those who write news of the field will condense a little more it will, help matters much and allow all who wish to get into each issue. We repeat that matter that reaches us later than *Tuesday morning* will stand a slim chance for insertion that week.

Dr. Hatcher says that up in old Virginia he has found some Baptists who send their children to other than Baptist schools, for the reason, in one case, that the boy was "a bad boy" and he was sent to a Catholic school—the last place on earth to send a "bad boy," or any other kind; in another, because a friend was going to a certain school, and they just sent their girl along with her; in another, because it was said to be "cheap," and so forth and so on. It is to be noted with pleasure that our people realize, more and more, that the best schools in the world for their children are right here in Mississippi.

Corinth.

EDITOR OF THE BAPTIST:—

Not having seen anything lately from Corinth, and thinking that a note from here might prove interesting to your readers, I have decided to break the silence and drop you a few lines. Corinth Church is in one sense of the word "on a boom." It has been gradually but surely developing since the Rev. Austin Crouch has been our pastor. He has from the first demonstrated a remarkable ability to lead the church from "one conquest" to "another victory,"

and hence we have climbed higher and higher and still are seeking higher and loftier purposes to develop and realize. He came to us three years ago, called unanimously for an indefinite time, and is now beginning his fourth year with flattering prospects for greater usefulness, for he loves every member of the church and is greatly beloved by all.

Pastor and people are thoroughly united in "every good word and every good work" for the Master. During his three years' pastorate there has been about one hundred net gain in membership in the church, and the Sunday School, B. Y. P. U., and Ladies' Aid Society show renewed activity, interest, and additional numbers. There has been paid during this time a little over \$8,000.00 to all purposes, in cash. The greatest development, however, has shown itself since the first of January of this year. Since that date \$750.00 cash have been paid to missions, and the church has determined to each year support a missionary on the foreign field, and the Sunday School supports an orphan in our Orphan's Home.

On last Wednesday night, the church, in view of the fact that the pastor was beginning his fourth year, gave him a reception in the church parlors. A most pleasant occasion it was, being participated in by the membership of the church; and the other congregations and pastors of the city. Light refreshments were served by the Ladies' Aid Society, and the pastor was given by the church as a present, a one hundred dollar bill, as a token of our love for him, and appreciation of his great work! Everybody enjoyed the occasion, and from many lips was heard the comment, "the nicest thing ever given in Corinth."

We expect to have a "meeting of days," beginning the latter part of May, when Rev. Fred Hale, of Kentucky, will be with us. Pray for us, that we may have a great meeting for the honor and glory of God. Our pastor preached a great sermon yesterday, on the theme—"All for the glory of God," taking as his text that passage of Scripture wherein Paul wrote, "Forbid that I should glory save in the cross of Jesus Christ."

That seems now to be the motto of this church, and therefore, it is no wonder it is "growing in grace and the knowledge of the truth." There are yet greater and better things in store for us; wherefore, we take courage and press on. I hope that other churches may join us in the "onward and upward" movement.

The city of Corinth is pressing to the front and is prosperous. We are soon to have, in addition to our numerous prosperous enterprises now in existence, free city mail delivery, a handsome new union depot, a new oil mill, improvement of the streets, and probably a new sewerage system, and other enterprises are being discussed and may become realities.

With best wishes for the continued usefulness and prosperity of THE BAPTIST, I am,

Your brother in Christ,
E. S. CANDLER, JR.

Notes.

Yazoo City. THE BAPTIST man spent a few days in this city recently, looking after THE BAPTIST interests. W. J. Derrick is bishop here, and nobly does he perform his allotted tasks. Here our State Convention is to assemble in July, and already the good bishop and his people are anticipating the coming of the Lord's hosts.

The Baptists, aided by the good people of the city, will, no doubt, give all a warm welcome to the city and into their homes. Derrick is a hustling brother, and in due time, we shall, no doubt, see his announcement, "all things are now ready." Many of these Baptist saints read THE BAPTIST. Maybe this accounts for the cleverness and get-up of the people. Struggle, yes they have to struggle, but then it is the effort required that makes them so vigorous. The cause is coming to the front in this beautiful city, and Baptists are no small factor in all that makes for the general uplift.

The coming Convention will, no doubt, greatly assist our cause here. A trip by boat from Yazoo City to Belzona was enjoyed. It was a day of real rest for the weary tramp. The officers of the boat were courteous and obliging, and so this may not be the last time this delightful trip is to be enjoyed. Belzona is reached in due time, and then the Y. D. (that is yellow dog) train soon lands; ye scribe in Inverness, where he preaches for the people monthly.

Monday evening finds him at Itta Bena, mingling with the saints and keeping them in good fellowship. Pastor Cooper has taken hold of the work in good earnest, and he is very hopeful. He preaches here at Belzona, and—well, can't recall the church. The stay in his home was very enjoyable. A number of new friends of the paper was found, and renewals many, made up a good day's work.

Lexington. This beautiful little city, with its cultured and refined people, is a pleasant place to visit. The Baptist cause in the town is prosperous. Rev. C. T. Kincannon has greatly endeared himself to the people. All classes of its citizens speak of him in the highest terms. He and his good wife know how to make the visiting brother comfortable and happy. THE BAPTIST is a welcome visitor in the homes of many of the Baptist saints, while a number of new names was added to the list.

In company with Capt. Swinney, who was a member of the last legislature, and, by the way, lodged with ye scribe during the sitting of the legislature, our faces turned to the east, in due time Bowling Green is reached. Here the writer preaches for the saints monthly.

The church is not so strong as in former years, but with a firm trust in God, and trustful reliance upon his promised grace, we go forward. Planting in hope, we wait for the harvest.

Mrs. L. and the little L's. welcome home ye tramp, and a day or two of rest ere another tramp begins. So—alabarro.

O. M. LUCAS.

Signs of Promise.

I shall never forget a good story that Dr. Wessitt told at Natchez about the fellow that was sitting down his wheat and the cradle cut so well, the work went so smoothly, that he went clear through the outside hedge now and never thought of stopping until he was in the forest. This story comes to me now as I think about the figures already in and those that are to come about which we have some news.

Dr. Willingham's last report in this week's paper is dated April 15. There is enough in sight now to run these figures to \$14,500. There have been many small streams as well as large and larger ones to make this result. Among these are Kilmi-chad, Mission, Hays Creek and Eupora, the pastorate of J. L. Phelps, who felt bad when a brother not missionary in feeling complimented a sermon because there was not so much about missions in it. The preacher says he must have made a failure, but his work is counting for missions, as they have reached \$75.00 on this round.

The pastorate of L. D. Posey, away down in the pine woods, has also rounded out \$100.00, and all in the country, but you will not be surprised at this when you have learned their names.

Not far is Salem where Bro. Busli feeds the sheep and takes the clippings for mission in a way that seems to delight all concerned as this letter brings \$62.30, and in every word see the open countenance of a noble man.

Leaf River in the same country, and here is the home of the Welch family, as also others in the work pledged while young Steen feeds them, and where the collection reaches \$26.00.

Water Valley comes in this time with \$18.00 for Home Missions, and this shows that pastor not only writes well on the Sunday School lessons but knows how to lead in a collection, a thing so many pastors are learning, to the joy of the churches.

Dry Creek, down in Rankin with a young shepherd who believes in missions and who is constantly at it both here and at other churches and his pastorate shows \$82.00 so far with \$30.00 of this from Dry Creek.

Fellowship is historic as a battlefield, but more so in the good that it has done and never tiring of doing under the leadership of our Englishman, Thompson. They have lost heavily in membership but said the rest of us must hold up the banner of the same figures as of old, and so this \$40.00 was sent with the prayers of a noble band.

A graduate of the College found work and home far in the interior from a railroad and is leading his group of churches to higher foundations of life for the Master, and here is one of the results in this check for \$30.00 from Tom Tomlinson.

If you have never been to Poplarville you must sometime for a genuine treat is in store as well as surprise. It is here that the prettiest frame house was built out of an old regulation shape that is to be found

in the State. A greater surprise, however, is in store when you see the boys and girls of Poplarville High School and have made the acquaintance of Prof. Thames, then hear their pastor preach, and now watch the collection for Foreign Missions, as the figures climb to the \$100.00 mark. May their tribe increase.

Far towards the north are Hernando and Oak Grove where young Lee, on whom many of us have our eyes, is "holding forth the Word of Life" and in these churches the contributions show that he is missionary, for the check is for \$71.35.

And what shall I more say, the time would soon fail me to tell of the letters and checks and P. O. orders, and registers, that mark the month of April. Steadily like the waters of a great river, they have been rising, and the burden of it all is to crown him king, whose right it is to reign. Gillsburg finishes up her mission year with \$47.25, while East Fork has sent \$42.10, and Mars Hill \$54.20, all these in the mother association of the State. Hard by is Natchez with \$59.61. Lena, Friendship has not been lagging as all who know her pastor will warrant for no greater joy has he than to know that his people are giving to missions and away out there 20 miles from a railroad they are in full sympathy with all that pertains to the kingdom of our Lord, as this closing up of the Home Missions and Foreign Missions cause puts to their credit \$78.00. Here is news from Hebron of Strong River Association and the entire gamut of missions has been run with \$110.30 to show for it, while the same pastor serves at Bethel, Rock Hill, and Hepzibah and these add \$72.10 more.

Enterprise is where they are hopeful of soon reaching the oil bearing stratum, and in that event we may have another Beaumont, but however this may be, no group of churches in Mississippi listen to more unctuous preaching than E. S. F. & P., the pastorate of Bro. Hackett, and he is faithful to the mission cause closing with \$100.00.

I was glad to see this check from Tippah Association bringing \$73.00 for Home Missions, with the assurance that these were not all the berries on the bush. Not far away is Tupelo, famous for its fish hatchery, and here we have a fisher of men, new to Mississippians, but who is fast showing himself worthy a place anywhere as this check for \$73.85 is in evidence. Welcome Bro. Kimbrough. In spite of the small pox scare at Oxford, just as the missionary collection was on, the check reads \$90.00, while out in the country is Clear Creek and as I hear have the same diet as at Oxford, at any rate, Bacon sends for both, and the aggregate is \$121.50. Supplemented by a check that comes from the good women at Shuqualak that church goes down this month for \$34.55. Brooksville joins the \$100.00 list by reason of the last month's work for Foreign Missions. Allen may be short like Zacheus, but he is by no means short on missions, as these good folks have found out to their joy. Well, here are two neighbors, Bethel and

Pickens. The first quarter at B. was given to F. M. with the result of \$40.00, while at Pickens, they took an allopathic dose, and divide \$132.75 among missions, sustentation and ministerial education. Well done both of you.

Away down south are McComb City, Osyka, and Shady Grove, but the last shall be first with \$65.00, the first shall be last with \$20.05, the middle one which is the last town in the State, South comes in with \$27.00, but there is another in that same from whose membership has lately gone up to the "general assembly and church of the first born," one in whose home I have often been refreshed by a hospitality as truly Christian as any that ever cheered the heart of the apostle. Ah how she will be missed here. She seems to me to have been a living example of those words

Give love, and love to your life will flow,
And strength in your utmost needs,
Have faith and a score of hearts will show
Their faith in your work and deeds.
Give truth and your gifts will be paid in kind
And song a song will meet.
And the smile that is sweet will surely find
A smile that is just as sweet.

Happy that church that can send to the good home such as she, for its mission has not been in vain, Magnolia sends \$55.00. See how our mission churches give back what we spend on them in the days of their weakness. Here is Leland with \$96.00 for foreign missions, Vicksburg with \$150.00, Hattiesburg with \$626.57, Clinton adds \$108.56, Gallman \$54.05, Jackson 2d \$129.50, Holly Springs \$15.75, Gloster, Gallie, sends Christian salutations with \$500.00. The strain is nearly over. When you read this on Friday next, Mississippi will have completed her largest gift in any one year to Missions. Few they were who believed that we would reach \$13,000.00 when it was accepted that we make the attempt. We have two more of the big fish to land, when without counting all that will come from churches that are just as loyal, and about which we do not now know, we will have \$14,500.00 to our credit for F. M.

I bow my head in humble gratitude and praise to Him "whose we are and whom we serve."

A. V. ROWE.

Southern Baptist Convention.

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The convention will assemble in the meeting house of the First Baptist Church. A Tabernacle, which seats 3,000 has been provided for the night mass meetings, and all other meetings if the Convention so desires.

A twenty-five cents rate round trip, will be given to Tybee during the Convention and Tuesday May 12th.

An excursion by water will be given to Beaufort, S. C. on Tuesday for 50 cts. each. A regular Reception Committee will meet all trains to direct people to their place of entertainment.

A Committee on Information will be at the place of meeting to render service to all.

By registering with the Committee on Registration in front of the De Soto Hotel you can get a book containing map of Savannah, also map of the surrounding country with places of special interest and directions how to reach them.

See that your baggage checks are turned over only to the Committee on Baggage on your arrival at Savannah. They will give you claim checks and see that your baggage is promptly delivered.

There will be a Post office in the Basement of the First Baptist Church. Order your mail care of Baptist Convention if you wish to get it at the Convention Post Office.

Carriages and Hansom cabs will carry you anywhere in the city for 25 cts.

JOHN D. JORDAN.
Savannah, Ga., April 21st, 1903.

Mayton, Miss.

I am happy to announce Bro. Leavell's promise to be with us at Union Church, (Mayton Po.) Rankin County Association, next Second Sunday, which is Second Sunday in May.

We greatly need his help in our Sunday School work. I am praying earnestly that his visit to us may be blessed of God, to the furtherance of our Sunday School work. He is to be with me at Union, Sunday, May 10th. Thence to Puckett Po., Clear Creek Church, May 11th. Thence to Antioch, May 12th. I do earnestly hope that Clear Creek and Antioch may give him a full congregation on the days mentioned. He purposes spending several hours with each church, beginning at eleven in morning, and continuing until three or four in the afternoon. Bring dinner with you, and come for work. He especially wants to meet the workers in the Sunday Schools, and requests all to bring their Bibles.

Let all pastors and Sunday School superintendents and teachers meet us.

Yours,

T. J. MILEY.

Apr. 13, 1903.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

W. JAS. ROBINSON.

May 3.—Acts 21:30-39.

Paul Arrested.

Golden Text.—If any man suffer as a Christian let him not be ashamed. I Peter 4:16. The word Christian appears only three times in the Bible. "The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch." (Acts 11:26.) The name given by inspiration is disciples, but the Antiochians called them Christians. "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian." (Acts 26:28.) Here used by the heathen king, Agrippa. The text is the only other instance, and the only one where it is used by an apostle or disciple. The first instance was in all probability prompted by derision and the second by not knowing the usage, with disciples, while the third is used in a good sense. All lovers of Jesus now regard themselves as Christians, but as many dif-

ferent opinions are held by Evers of our Lord denominational names are necessary. No one thinks of dishonoring the Lord or compromising his loyalty to him by using denominational names, but for convenience in letting people know his peculiar tenets.

To suffer because you are a Christian is a rich heritage and one to be earnestly desired. Our Lord suffered in our stead; paying the penalty for all our sins. (See Isa. 53.) We honor him greatly by thus coming in touch with him. We can, in a measure, suffer as a Christian by depriving ourselves, to advance the kingdom of Christ—by giving our money and time to his service. Again, by enduring actual persecution; it may come in the form of scorn, derision, opposition, or in some countries by physical injury. Regardless of form the principle is the same. It is a burning shame that loyal ministers sometimes have to change their fields of labor because they "declare the whole counsel of God."

To get the full meaning of this lesson it is necessary to study from verse 21. This gives the cause of the riot, and shows Paul ready to make concessions, but not ready to compromise. Truth can never under any consideration compromise, since no question is settled until it is settled right.

30. And all the city was moved, and the people ran together. Here is an absolute statement with a relative meaning. Not each individual but many, some came out of curiosity, some because they loved trouble, and some for no reason whatever. They took Paul and drew him out of the temple. They dragged him from the temple because they believed him to be a foreigner and he had gone beyond the limits permitted to Gentiles. For with the doors were shut. The folding doors of the Gate Beautiful, which were sixty feet high, and required twenty men to close them. They were shut to prevent the mob polluting the temple area.

31. And as they went about to kill him. They had this purpose in mind from the start. Tidings came unto the chief captain of the band. He ranked with our colonels, and had his headquarters in the castle of Antonio near the temple.

32. Who immediately took soldiers and centurions (ranking with our captains) and ran down unto them. He heard nothing for the religious Questions involved but it was his duty to maintain order. When they saw the chief captain and soldiers they left beating of Paul. They feared they might be apprehended as disturbers of the peace.

33. The chief captain *** commanded him to be bound with two chains. Each Roman soldier carried a chain and one was fastened to each of Paul's hands and then to a soldier and Paul walked between. Demanded who he was and what he had done. A very natural inquiry for a conservator of the peace.

34. And some cried one thing, some another among the multitude. Mob is not controlled by reason but by passion and vice. And when he could not know the certainty for the tumult, he commanded

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him to be carried into the castle. To await development of the facts and for safe keeping.

35. And when he came upon the stairs, so it was, that he was borne of the soldiers for the violence of the people. The mob was so incensed as to press upon the soldiers, and it became necessary for them to literally carry Paul.

36. For the multitude of the people followed after, crying, away with him. Just as they did regarding Jesus, and many today would gladly destroy the truth.

37. And as Paul was about to be led into the castle, he said unto the chief captain, may I speak unto thee? Who said canst thou speak Greek?

38. Art not thou that Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers? We have very little knowledge of this Egyptian, and what we have is confused. The murderers were Sicarii, assassins, so called because of the peculiar dagger they used.

39. But Paul said, "I am a man which am a Jew of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: I beseech thee, suffer me to speak unto the people."

Dr. J. B. MOODY.

Having read Dr. Moody's announcement in several papers I wish to record a most hearty approval of his purpose. And I am pleased to see that my friend, Bro. R. A. Cohron has taken the matter up, and will arrange a series of appointments in Mississippi for him. Dr. Moody's general theme will be "Sustaining Grace." He is one of our strong men; clear in thought, sweet spirited, deep and sound in the "doctrines of grace." We were intimately associated in denominational work in Arkansas for several years, and during revival meetings with his church at Hot Springs I was greatly benefited by his Christlike spirit and masterful exposition of scripture in our private conversations. Our churches need just the kind of preaching Dr. Moody always preaches. Write Bro. Cohron, Utica, Miss., to arrange with Dr. Moody to visit your church.

E. B. MILLER.

West Point.

Letter From Jerusalem.

I extend to the Baptists of Mississippi a warm greeting. I am writing from a place which is the center of religious thought, and which is rich in religious environment. If our Lord had not lived, wrought, and died here, the place could have no special significance. Jerusalem is not a beautiful city, rather unsightly, the streets narrow and dirty, the inhabitants without pride and very illiterate, and the surrounding country rocky and barren, yet splendid in her decline and still glorious in her ruins. No one can know how my heart thrilled when I alighted from the train. A hotel porter said, "Will you take a carriage, sir?" I replied, "No sir, I will walk." That ride when I have sacrificed so much to set foot on this soil! Never! It was dark, yet I was walking the streets of Jerusalem, perhaps where my Lord had walked, and that was enough for me. I could scarcely sleep. The dream of my ministerial life was being realized. My heart would not keep still. My thoughts were swift-winged. Not far off is Bethlehem, where He was born. Out yonder the shepherds were sleeping. At one of these gates the wise men inquired where Jesus was, for they had seen the star just across the way was the temple where he commanded the learned Rabbis. Over beyond the walls is Olivet and Gethsemane. Down there is where He was tried and condemned, and then with commingled feelings I follow our King through the Damascus gate. How painful were those steps! See Him stagger and fall. Oh, the King's glory is in the dust, suffering under the weight of a cruel cross! Then another takes the cross. Onward marches the noble. Above the confused noise of the mob, you can hear the words, "Crucify Him." We are ascending Golgotha, the place of a skull. Simon lays down the cross. Rude hands place Christ upon it. Then you can hear the mallet as it drives the nails. The Cross is lifted. Calvary has been waiting for ages for its victim. Look ye pilgrims from Damascus, Nazareth, Shechem, Ebanon, Jericho, Hebron, and Jerusalem yonder is the King of Kings. Darkness steals over the scene. Out of the darkness I hear the words, "It is finished." Then the earth reels and the rocks are rent. I go down to the tomb and look in. He is not there. He is risen. I follow on to Bethany and a cloud receives Him. All this I have gone over and over a hundred times. These streets, gates, valleys, and roof-crowned hills will never fade.

The Greeks and Roman Catholics are marking these sacred places. Over many of them they have erected chapels and church edifices, and at these so-called shrines many devout Catholics of all nations worship. The Church of the Holy Sepulchre is the mecca of Catholic pilgrims. Here are some of the things pointed out by the guide: (1) Stone of Unction, Tomb of Christ, Place where Christ met Mary after His resurrection, Prison of Christ, Column where Christ was scourged, Where Christ's garment was divided, Where the cross

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stood, Place where John the Baptist was beheaded, etc., etc.

In this building are the Greek, Coptic, Armenian, Latin, and Crusaders' chapels. You will find soldiers stationed throughout the building. Many a time before these soldiers were placed there blood stained the floor. The various sects would get to quarreling and bloodshed would follow. What a spectacle for the Oriental Moslem and Jew!

However, the intelligent visitor soon feels, as he wanders through the precincts of the church, that scarcely anything else could be expected from such a hot-bed of fanaticism, superstition, and ignorance.

The true Calvary is, no doubt, beyond the Damascus Gate. Last Sunday eve at 4 o'clock, about 100 Americans gathered on the site located by Dr. Gordon to have service. Dr. Hoyt, Dr. Tyler, and others talked. It was a glorious hour. I believe that near where we stood Christ died, and our hearts were filled with joy as we sat and communed with Him.

Well, I have measured the Pools of Jerusalem, Pools of Solomon, have been to the Jordan, bathed in it and measured it, and must say that if I had one billion dollars and the finest architect in the world, I could not construct pools more suitable, nor more accessible for immersing than are these pools in and around Jerusalem. One gentleman, a Professor in a Northern College and a Pedo-Baptist, said in my presence, "When I stood and looked at the Jordan, I was almost convinced that immersion was right." The Jordan overwhelmingly convinces one that immersion is scriptural. You can't look at its water without feeling deep down in your heart that immersion is the only way to be baptized. Come, ye pedo world and gaze on this historic stream and then go home and ask for baptism from a Baptist church.

I must bid you goodnight. I am filling my mind with these things and my heart with inspiration, so that I may be able to fill more acceptably that field to which the Holy Spirit may lead me.

Regards to you and to the church at Water Valley.

D. D. SHUCK.

March 20, 1903.

Clippings From Clinton.

The Sunbeams, under the direction of Sister Whitfield and Sister Eager, have just sent a box to one of the frontier missionaries, valued at one hundred dollars. The selections showed good judgment, taste, and generosity, making one of the best contributions of this kind I have ever seen. This is a new venture for the children, and is in addition to what the ladies send to the frontier every year. The Sunbeams also pay the expense of one of the orphans in Jackson, and are supporting a Bible woman in China. Two Sunday School classes have assumed each the support of a Bible woman also.

Our Ladies' Society continues to do a fine work. Lately they gave twenty dollars to Home Missions during self-denial week. They also made their China offer-

ing, and gave besides a quarterly contribution to missions.

We have recently enjoyed visits from Secretary Willingham and Missionary Chas. tain, which were a benediction to our church and community.

Dr. Brough has delivered two of his lectures here this year, one at Mississippi College and the other at Hillman College. He never fails to draw a crowd here where the people know him best.

The music teachers of Hillman College recently gave a recital that was thoroughly enjoyable. It is a good part of a liberal education to live in a neighborhood like that and get the benefit of the music that overflows from it occasionally. Saturday night they had one of the best pianists on the Continent, from New York, and treated the whole community—for a consideration, of course.

We have probably the best Sunday School in the history of the church. Bro. Whitfield says he has been going to Sunday School for sixty years, and it is the best he ever saw. It also is now contributing to missions and the orphanage.

There are some other good things, but they will keep; and there are some not so good that I had better not tell.

P. I. LIPSEY.

Hattiesburg.

I have been silent ever since coming to Hattiesburg, but not because there has not been something to say, but because of a multiplicity of work, of various sorts.

First, we have been taxed with the building of a new home for us to reside in. We now have a nice home; come to see us. Then getting acquainted with my people and getting the work in hand has been a considerable job.

I have been on the field here as city missionary since March 1. We have had six additions to the work. Two by letter, two by relation and two by experience and baptism. I feel the Lord is greatly blessing us in this work. We began a series of revival meetings at the chapel last night. We desire the prayers of God's people in behalf of our work here. In the near future I feel that the Lord will do great things for us in Hattiesburg. I am also pastor at Central, preaching there two Sundays in the forenoon and one Saturday. This seems to be a splendid church. Our Foreign and Home Mission collections were good. They take a collection once a month. We will raise over \$100.00 for missions this year.

May the Lord richly bless THE BAPTIST.

M. J. DERRICK.

Hattiesburg, Miss., April 20, 1903.

The Columbus Meeting.

It is with great pleasure and profound gratitude I say that the First Baptist Church has just closed a most delightful meeting. Bro. Paul Price, of Urbana, Ohio, did all the preaching from beginning to close. He is safe, sound, clear and strong. His Bible readings are considered by many the leading feature of his work. His style is simple, easy and graceful. His

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presentation of the Gospel is rapid and convincing.

The meeting proved a gracious uplift to many of the Father's children. It was characterized by a sweet and tender flow from the first hour until the benediction and parting words last night at 9:30. There were seventeen accessions on profession of faith and baptism, and eight by letter, giving us a total of just twenty-five.

Bro. Price left this morning for Macon where he is to assist Bro. Grace, the pastor, in a meeting.

Bro. Osborne, pastor at Okolona, came down during our meeting and spent four days. He was much pleased with our people and our city. He made quite a favorable impression.

Bro. M. K. Thornton, of Starkville, will arrive in Columbus Monday next to assist Pastor Whitfield in a meeting at the South East Church. Although their house of worship was blown off the pillars last Monday morning at 4 o'clock it is believed that it will be promptly replaced and everything be in readiness for the meeting. The First Church will unite with them heartily not only in the meeting but in the effort to put the house of worship in order again.

A. J. MILLER.

April 17, 1903.

Baptism of the Twelve.

There are some who seem to think those who were "baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus," of which we have an account in Acts 19:1-7, were not the "certain disciples" whom Paul found at Ephesus, but the people referred to by Paul when he said: "John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." (v. 4.)

I wish to give some reasons why the "certain disciples" found at Ephesus were the persons who received baptism, and which was a second baptism for them.

1. The language clearly implies that, and to make it mean anything else is to violate well established rules of speech. Without redundancy, language could hardly be made plainer than in this case.

2. Paul laid his hands upon those who were baptized, showing that the baptism occurred then and there.

3. The number baptized are given as being about twelve. It is said that Jerusalem and all the surrounding country came out to John's baptism, and were baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.

4. It is said the Holy Ghost came on them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied.

Evidently this event took place after the day of Pentecost, and after the ascension of our Lord. For the "gift of tongues" had not been bestowed before Pentecost. Pentecost was the birthday of the Holy Ghost, in the capacity in which He is here represented.

A brother and myself only this afternoon examined the above Scripture by comparing the authorized version, the revised ver-

sion and the Emphatic Diaglott both in its "free translation" and "literal translation." We found nothing in either translation, or version, to suggest a different interpretation to the one already given.

But to satisfy myself that I was not following out a beaten path of interpretation, which we are likely to do if we do not watch ourselves, I requested my thirteen-year-old boy to read the above scripture in the presence of my ten-year-old girl. My motive was not known by either child. But as the scripture was being read, in answer to questions concerning it, each of them answered promptly and intelligently and concluded without any difficulty whatever, that those who were baptized were the disciples Paul found at Ephesus.

How would it do to just let the Bible say what it says? When God speaks let man be silent.

W. I. HARGIS.

University, Miss.

Dr. Sample's "Too Bad."

I saw the circular referred to by Dr. Sample last week under the heading "Too Bad," and I wish to add just a few words in line with him.

I was recently in a Tennessee town that had had prohibition for only a few months and the people there were really hilarious over a large per cent. reduction in the population of the town. A prominent man, who did possibly as much business as any other two men in the town, said to me: "I expected prohibition to be a good thing, though we had never tried it; but it is far better than we had hoped for. After trying it this long, I would give \$100 more to have it in my town than I would have given before trying it." And with increased enthusiasm, he said: "You see, we not only got rid of whiskey, we also got rid of the whiskey crowd; they have nearly all moved away." Another prominent man said, in reply to an inquiry: "Well, there seems to be no change in the volume of business done here. The whiskey men told us it would drop off half. We cannot say there has been any increase as yet; but there is no decrease. However, some men from whom one could hardly collect an account at all before, are paying their bills promptly now." I ask every reader to put these statements together: a good per cent. of the people gone, no decrease in the volume of business, much better collections.

I once read of a man who carried all of his belongings in an old valise that had no lock, but was kept closed by the use of a twine string. This man slept in a small building in the woods one night and, upon lying down, thoughtlessly left his valise open. Next morning he picked it up and was astonished to find it more than twice as heavy as when he laid it down. An investigation showed it to contain a huge and venomous snake. The snake left the valise hastily, but no more hastily than the man left the building. Poor man! In one tenth the time it takes to tell it, he had lost over half the contents of the valise. Yet, while the poor fool knew exactly where he left it, he did not go back after it, nor grieve over his loss.

Neither should the good people of Mississippi grieve over losing any man who does not want to live in the state because no whiskey is here. Indeed, as the good old brother said, when the evangelist was about to leave at the close of a series of meetings: "I move that we all rise and sing a hymn and welcome his departure."

T. C. LOWREY.

Blue Mountain College, Apr. 12, 1903.

Gillsburg Meeting

In the providence and goodness of God, we have had another good meeting at Gillsburg. Congregations were fairly good, considering the busy season with farmers. The preaching was done by that princely fellow, W. F. Yarbrough, who is known for his piety and good sense. His sermons were of a high order and were helpful to the church and people generally. The Lord was with us, and sixteen young persons were received and baptized. Bro. Yarbrough also made a pleasing address before the school while here. He is much interested in the religious and educational training of the young, and his stay at Gillsburg will be remembered with pleasure.

Prof. Chas. Hooper, who has taught in the school here for twenty-one years, has sold out his home and will leave us about the first of July. Much of the success of Gillsburg Collegiate Institute is due to his long term of service. His going leaves the place of Principal vacant. We are also to lose Miss Helen McWhorter, who has taught music for us two years. She is an estimable young woman and has done good work. But this is a world of changes, and the best of friends must part.

The writer has been telling the old story here and hereabouts for twenty years, and has seen the work of the Lord greatly blessed. Many of his former friends and co-workers have fallen out of the ranks, some by death and others by removal; but there yet remain many pious men and women who witness for the truth in these parts.

T. C. SCHILLING.

Gillsburg, Miss.

What are those large boxes seen almost daily going to and from the freight depots in our busy city? Why, they are boxes which contain pianos and organs going to and from Patton & White's music emporium at 318 East Capitol street. When in the city, do not fail to call on them, examine their fine line of musical instruments and talk with them. They are affable gentlemen and will take great pains to show you their goods and give you all desired information in their line of business. We travel all over the State, and find their pianos and organs almost everywhere we go. It is gratifying to hear on every hand expressions of entire satisfaction with the instruments sold by these gentlemen. Considering the large amount of satisfaction and entertainment afforded by a good organ or piano and the low prices at which they are now sold, it is a wonder that one or the other is not found in every home. Write to this wide-awake firm for styles and prices of goods.

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UNION, FRANKLIN COUNTY.

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ROXIE.

I preach to the good saints the second and fourth Sunday nights. The church here has been dead for three years, but the good people have resurrected her and we hope to have her in full marching orders ere long. They too have the pastor's salary paid up to date.

KNOXVILLE.

Here I go once a month and in my feeble way try to break the bread of life to these dear people. Our church here is weak, but willing. Our collection for Foreign Missions was \$50. God bless the loyal few.

BRUSHY FORK.

Notwithstanding this church lost three of its best paying members at the close of last year, which left them few in number, gave to ministerial education \$22.00 and

to Foreign Missions \$4.75.

Some churches have a better pastor than these, but no pastor better churches.

Brother, does your church wait until fall to pay your pastor? If so, quit it. You will find it much easier to pay him monthly or quarterly and doubtless relieve your pastor of making a debt.

"To God be honor and glory forever."

H. H. WEBB.

Roxie, Miss.

Bellefontaine.

I will give you a brief statement about the work in my country churches for the last month. On the fifth Sunday in March Springhill Church, Zion Association, gave \$10.00 for Home and Foreign Missions. On first Sabbath in April Mount Vernon Church gave \$5.00 for Home and Foreign Missions and \$.60 to help send pastor to Southern Baptist Convention. On second Sunday in April, while the pastor was at home sick, Fellowship Church gave \$5.00 for Home and Foreign Missions. On third Sabbath in April New Hope Church gave \$11.00 for Home and Foreign Missions, and have contributed \$4.50 to help send pastor to Southern Baptist Convention.

My churches have a system of contributing quarterly to Missions, Orphan's Home and Ministerial Education. We have had three crop failures here, and it is a great sacrifice for the Lord's children to give as they choose to His blessed cause.

May blessings be upon the editor, and our bright and great Baptist paper.

Yours in love.

A. B. HICKS.

From Brooklyn.

The little mission church at this place contributed to missions last Sunday the sum of \$28.50. This is not a large amount of money considered in the abstract, but regarded in the light of its contributors, it is a handsome sum.

Pastor Hewitt asked this church for \$25, and proposed to give one-fifth of the amount himself. His example seemed to have had a wholesome effect. After a grand sermon on the subject of missions, including some statistics of what has been done and what is being done on the foreign fields and in many localities in our own country, the pastor led out with this offering, and was followed by contributions from persons who had not hitherto been in the habit of giving much to this object. We consider this a hopeful sign, evidencing substantial progress. For when a church gives well to missions, we need not be uneasy lest she will neglect other objects. Her contribution to missions, as a rule, is an index to her spiritual condition.

It is a source of great and profound encouragement to see that the churches all along the line throughout the State are coming up grandly for missions this year.

A series of meetings have been in progress here this week. Rev. T. D. Bush, of Collins, has been doing the preaching since Sunday. Bro. Bush has been giving us some sound gospel. He surely preaches the truth in its simplicity. The membership has been much strengthened, and we are looking for good results.

Fraternally,

L. L. SHOEMAKER.

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My brain a wearying,
Wrinkles and woe, I wobbled on,
A staff my aid, and my rig.

And if I fall, the distance small,
I creep on my hands and knees,
For balustrade and pilgrim's path
Are privileged and charmed.

My eye work dies, my ear work slim,
I stagger and I stum,
And when I feel the jellies need,
My mouth is out.

My jagged lines—soul synonyms—
Refuse to go by will;
My hands and feet, for stir once meet
Are in silent and chill.

The shrouded muscle, unfit for tussle,
Discloses skeleton;
The husky voice, a squeaking noise,
Sonorousness is gone.

The vital will, the vigor nil,
The circulation dull,
All motion lazy, all musing crazy,
A hulk the empty skull.

I try to think, the logic link,
Is missing to my mind;
And when I rhyme, the senile grime
Bedazzles my eyes find.

The hoary back is others' care,
As I lean in a slump;
My wisest nose can hardly toddle,
And thus reveals a gump.

I do not grieve, for I perceive
I am a vine without;
Outlook victorious, prevision glorious,
I trust, and try, and rest.

So, worn and weak, the life a-creak,
I wait development;
The Gates Ajar, pearl from afar,
And I am content!

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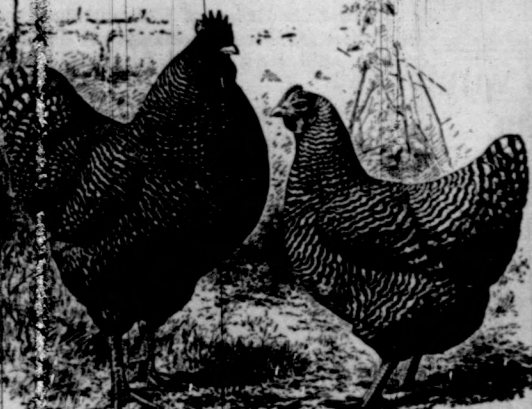
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Monday—4. John's trial before Caiaphas (vs. 18, 64). Matthew 26:57-68; Mark 14:55-65 (vs. 22:63-65). Compare Matthew 14.

Tuesday—5. Peter's denial of Jesus. Mark 14:68-72; Luke 22:55-62. Compare Mark 14:54.

Wednesday—6. Peter denies, curses, repents. Matthew 26:69-75; John 18:25-27. Compare Matthew 26:34.

Thursday—7. Jesus before the council. Luke 22:66-71; Matthew 27:1, 2; Mark 15:1. Compare Luke 23:3.

Friday—8. The trial of Jesus. Matthew 27:1-20. Compare Acts 1:16-19.

Saturday—9. Jesus' trial before Pilate. John 18:28-38. Compare 1 Corinthians 15:50.

Sunday—10. Easter Meeting. What does the story of Lazarus teach us? Luke 19:28-40.

Sunday School Lesson. The Plot Against Christ. Acts 23:12-22.

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Mrs. Eulis Wood.

Died April 8, 1903, in New Orleans, Mrs. Eulis Wood, aged twenty-four. She was the wife of Mr. W. N. Wood and the daughter of Mrs. W. S. Fenn. As some of the choice first-fruits she was gathered early into the heavenly garner. At the age of seven, upon a bright profession of faith, she was baptized into the fellowship of the Centerville Baptist Church, where she continued a consistent member until her death. She was highly esteemed by the many Centerville people who knew her. She leaves two little children. May the Lord comfort the bereaved ones.

JOSEPH JACOB.

Mary C. O'Neal.

Mrs. Mary C. O'Neal, wife of Bro. I. W. O'Neal, died very suddenly of heart disease at her home near Brownsville, Miss., on April 12, 1903. She was born December 10, 1850, and was "born again" in 1865. She lived the life of a child of God for 38 years and was a faithful member of Beulah Church at Brownsville, Miss., for 22 years.

As a Christian, wife, mother, friend and neighbor, she was one of the very best. Though suddenly called to the grave, she was ready to go. We thank God for her ever helpful Christian life and work. Tender sympathies to all her loved ones.

CHAS. L. LEWIS, Pastor.

J. L. Fondren.

J. L. Fondren departed this life October 4, 1902, age 35 years 10 months and 25 days. He professed faith in Christ and joined the Baptist church of Christ at Blyth's Creek at the age of 18, 1884. Was baptized by E. A. Faint. He was still a member of the same church at his death. Bro. Fondren was married to Miss Lu Brooks, who was indeed a loving, faithful wife. To this union was born 8 children, the two youngest, twins, born one week after his death.

Bro. Fondren was an obedient son, affectionate brother, a kind, affectionate husband, and a loving father. He leaves his aged parents, wife, children, sisters, and a host of friends to mourn his death. But we don't mourn as those that have no hope, for we trust to meet him on the Golden Shore where parting will be no more. May God bless the bereaved ones.

His Pastor,

N. Q. ADAMS.

Resolutions.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has removed from our midst our beloved sister and friend, Mrs. Pauline Virginia Kelly, who was a faithful and zealous co-worker of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Coffeeville Baptist Church, and

WHEREAS, We feel that we desire to place on record our appreciation of her worth and express our sincere grief at the loss of so valuable a member. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That each of us has lost a

true friend, for "None knew thee but to love thee, none missed thee but to praise."

Resolved, That our Woman's Missionary Society has lost a faithful member, who was ever willing to help and everywhere we cast our eye we see signs of her loving ministrations. We are indeed bereaved at her departure and sadly deplore our loss, but we humbly submit to the will of "Him who doeth all things well."

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family our tenderest sympathy and commend them to the God of all comfort.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to THE BAPTIST, to the Coffeeville Courier, and placed on our records.

MRS. LULA B. COHEA,
MRS. MAUD DUBRETT,
MISS LEOLA HOLLEY,
April 25, 1903. Committee.

Memorial.

At a meeting of the Baptist Church in Utica a committee, composed of brethren whose names appear below, was appointed to prepare a memorial of our esteemed Brother C. W. Harris, who fell asleep in Jesus on the 10th day of March, 1903.

Brother Harris was one of the most useful, active and pious members of our church, he was a man well endowed by nature and gifted by God's grace to fill any position in the church with honor to which the preference of his brethren called him.

For years Brother Harris had been the efficient clerk of our church and held this office at the time of his death. As a member of the church he was wise and conservative in counsel in the business affairs of the body; in brotherly love, he was tenderly affectionate toward others; in honor he preferred his brethren; "in diligence not slothful; in spirit fervent; serving the Lord; in hope rejoicing; in affection enduring; in prayer persevering; communicating to the necessities of the saints; given to hospitality."

As a citizen he held posts of honor and trust in our town and community with credit to himself and with the esteem of his constituents and the delight of his friends. Everybody said "Charlie Harris is a good man," and all were willing to trust him. Brother Harris had hardly reached the end of the 44th year, when the Master's summons came to call him away from the activities of his earth-life to the blessed realities of life eternal. His presence in the home above, with Christ, has left a void in aching hearts who mourn the loss of their beloved.

While all bow with uncovered heads at the removal of our brother from our companionship and labors, the chastened wife and daughter feel most keenly the loss of the loving companion, wise counselor and prudent guide.

On behalf of the church and for ourselves personally, we tender to our sisters, the wife and daughter of our deceased brother, our sincerest sympathy and unfeigned sorrow in the hour of grief that has come upon them; and pray that our Father's tenderest love and richest grace may be manifestly present with them.

Signed by the committee on behalf of the Baptist Church in Utica, April 23rd, 1903.

Z. WARBLAW,

J. M. RAY,

J. B. COLLINS,

E. L. WEBB,

F. W. OSBORN,

D. C. SIMMONS.

Married.

Hilderbrand—Martin.

At the home of the bride's parents, near Anding, Miss., April 12, 3:30 p. m., Mr. Louis Hilderbrand to Miss Dora Martin. Blessings on them.

J. E. Phillips.

Cox—Sandidge.

Mr. J. A. Cox and Miss S. F. Sandidge, were united in marriage, by Chas. L. Lewis, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sandidge, of Brownsville, Miss., April 19, 1903.

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Mrs. J. A. JOHNSON, Editor.
P. O. Clinton, Miss.

[Direct all communications for this department to Clinton, Miss.]

Woman's Central Committee:

Mrs. G. G. Buckett, President,
Medallion; Mrs. W. R. Woods,
Secretary, Meridian.

Program.
May, 1903.

Subject—Missions in Southern States.

"It is worth while giving your life to make this a new country for God and for men."—Ralph Connor.

1. Bible Reading: Women as Helpers, Ex. 22:22-26; Kings 17:9-16; Luke 1:38; John 4:23-24; Acts 9:36; Rom. 16:1-5.

2. Thanksgiving: For encouragement in the Bible.

3. Petition: These talents may be consecrated to God.

4. Fifteen minute song service.

5. Thoughts of the Leader: America needs the Gospel more than any other country because of what is under obligation to do for others. 50 years ago, there were only 23 cities with 3,000 or more in the South; now 260 Christians have the means of pushing a very needed reform to victory. Are we doing our part?

6. Leaflet: "Bible Training, or, the Education and Conversion of a Catholic."

7. Prepared Paper: "The Needs of This State." (For information refer to report of State Board.)

8. Prayer for Home and State missions and for those whom they are trying to reach.

9. Minutes of last meeting, etc.

10. Consider: Is the Society growing? If not, why not? Plan for interesting the uninterested.

11. Remember: Prayer S. B. C. and W. M. U. meetings at Savannah, Ga., May 11.

12. Closing Hymn: Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus.

Summaries.

OUR CHURCH AT FANNIN.

We have paid the pastor's salary every year since I have been

connected with the church, most of the time by the month. Home, Foreign, and State Missions have been provided for. Other objects will be looked after from now on. The church building is commodious.

OUR PASTOR.

His name is Bro. Jenkins. He resides at Clinton; has been with us four months. He has caught the spirit of progression, and is trying to infuse it into the church by way of studying the Bible and preaching real missionary gospel sermons. His Bible reading service on Saturday nights are highly commended; we like him.

*SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Superintendent, Dr. J. E. Noble. Secretary, Miss Bessie White. With the beautiful spring weather it is taking on new life. Collections are better.

Prayer-meeting is held every Friday night. It is not so well attended by church members as the young people. "The prayers of the righteous availeth much."

The Sunbeams failed to shine for quite a while; but their little eyes have brightened with the glow of spring; they came forward with a \$2.00 contribution to help get new hymn books for the church. God bless them! May they continue to shine! Miss Dora Lee has this work in hand.

Woman's Missionary Society has been under a cloud. Many difficulties have confronted us; bad weather, bad roads, and the sickness of our President, Mrs. S. E. Smith. We held our March meeting at her home. She was able to meet with us at the church in April. We sympathize with her. She is a faithful woman: "She hath done what she could."

We observed the Christmas of

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fering for China; and the third week in March (self-denial) for Home Missions, at our homes.

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We have redeemed our pledge made at the State Convention for church building and loan fund. We are now getting up a box for the Orphanage. I hope all will remember the words of Jesus, how he said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

LEAVING.

I leave tomorrow for the Gulf & Ship Island. I will retrace my steps and take up the work I had last year. I will be glad to get back to work after such a long confinement. I am glad to say, my brother is able to attend to business. My correspondents will address me at Low, Miss.

(Miss) CLARA BOYD.

Baltimore.

MY DEAR MRS. JOHNSON:

Again I am at the office in Baltimore. Much work is awaiting me, but before taking it up, I want to send you a little message. Reviewing the days of absence, noting how much was accomplished, I realize how greatly I have been helped by the sympathy with the work and personal kindness which were so heartily shown at every point. Very sweet to me also is the thought of God's power back of it all, and I believe through the kindness which you and other friends extended to me, through your prayers that I might be used for the advancement of the work. He gave needed inspiration and strength. It therefore gives me special pleasure to thank you for your cordial welcome, warm hospitality, and all co-operation.

Very sincerely yours,
ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG.

During 52 days absence, 25,218 miles were traveled, 53 places visited, and 71 talks made to la-

dies and children. Last Saturday (the 11th) I reached Baltimore, naturally feeling somewhat worn out physically, but glad and thankful that our Heavenly Father had permitted the carrying out of the plans which we believed would be helpful in the furtherance of Christ's cause. Almost everywhere trains were delayed, yet I failed only once in reaching the appointed place in time for the meeting. Upon another occasion, it was impossible to get to the church where a meeting had been arranged for the colored people, because of the mud. There was so much of it that even a vehicle was of no service.

Having been to such a large number of places, and enjoyed the sweet privilege of talking of so many of the things pertaining to the Kingdom, I can assure you, that, as Southern Baptist women, we have great reason to thank God for the progress of W. M. U. work, and to "go forward" joyfully, into the future. The work which each is doing in her place, may seem to be but as a tiny stream of blessing, but I trust you will ever bear in mind how great is the united power of many streams, and be inspired, in all service for God, by the thought of the thousands in our Southland with whom you are in co-operation.

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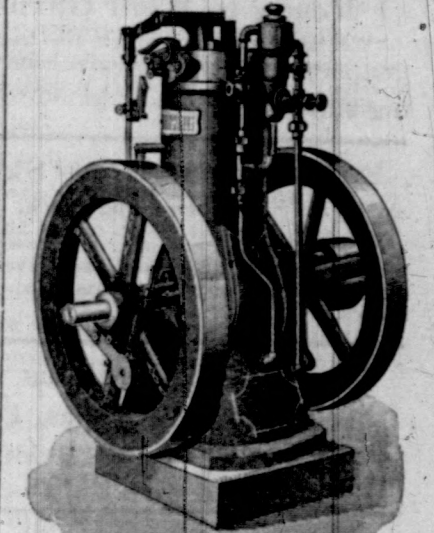


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Personal.

—New Zion and Mountain Creek gave together \$25.00.

—Pastor Lewis of Raymond, says that his folks told him last Sunday to pack his grip for Savannah.

—On the occasion of a reception in the church parlors, the fourth church presented their pastor, Rev. Austin Crouch, with a \$100.00 bill.

—Florence rose up in her night and gave a round \$10.00 for foreign missions. This is a fine showing for this splendid old church. She is renewing her strength.

—Brother D. M. H. writes from Magnolia: "Make room for our pastor in your party—we will send him the money tomorrow." Pastor Marlborough's people have said the same thing about him.

—Rev. J. P. Harrington, pastor at Shady Grove, took foreign mission collection on the 19th, which resulted in \$125.00. Good for both pastor and church.

—Bro. W. L. Brunson of Sable, lost his barn and six mules and horses, on the 14th inst. He was painfully burned himself, but is improving. The origin of fire not known.

—Only one more Sunday remains, but you can on that day if not before, surprise your pastor by placing in his hand about \$26.00 with which to pay his expenses to Savannah. Do it.

—Evangelist E. B. Miller is in a meeting now with the 18th Avenue Church, Meridian. Many have already come out on the Lord's side, and others are interested. The meeting continues.

—Germany and Russia have ordered all Mormon missionaries out of their domains, on the grounds that their teachings are subversive of good government and society as their teachings do actually clash with the laws of their realms. They are allowed sufficient time to arrange their affairs for their final exit.

—Cards are out announcing the marriage of Rev. R. D. Maum and Miss Martha Singletary, Wednesday evening, May the 13, 1903, at 7:30 o'clock, at the Baptist Church, Florence, Mississippi. They will be at home in Edwards, Mississippi, after May the 15th. We extend congratulations to this young pastor and his bride.

—Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock it was our pleasure to preach to the little church at Richland, Rankin Co., of which Rev. A. L. O'Brian is pastor. Both the congregation and interest were good. We

enjoyed the kind hospitality of Brother Henry Misterfeldt and family. Sister Misterfeldt has had an attack of diphtheria and has been confined to her bed for a fortnight, but is improving. Bro. Misterfeldt is a German brother and a prosperous farmer and mill man. His son also owns a saw mill and planer.

—The limited train which has not been stopping at Clinton now makes regular stops there. This is a great convenience to the more than 100,000 Baptists who are interested in Clinton because it is the site of our College, where are 300 boys, preparing for the duties of life. It is now no trouble to travel between Jackson and Clinton.

—The 33 anniversary of the Theological Society of Mississippi College occurred on the 27, at 8 p. m. Rev. W. E. Hathorn was the anniversary, and there were three other speakers, Mr. A. H. Clark, J. E. Wills, and T. J. Barksdale. All these young men acquitted themselves in fine style. We regret that lack of space prevents a more extended notice of these exercises.

—The First Church of McKinney, Tex., closed a gracious meeting last week. It continued two weeks. Rev. Geo. W. McDaniel did the most of the preaching and the Lord was with him in great power. He is the popular pastor of the Washington Ave. Church, Dallas. H. A. Wolfsohn, the efficient gospel singer of Atlanta, Ga., led our music most effectively. We received forty-two into our fellowship and some professed faith in Christ who have not yet identified themselves with Christians. We collected during the meeting \$415.00 for home and foreign missions.

—Bro. Holcomb writes: "Last night we closed a great meeting at Wiggins. Rev. J. R. Hobbs did the preaching, to the satisfaction of all that heard him. The results are 12 for baptism, 11 by letter, total 23."

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